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## JOHN J. ROGERS.

Monroe, City Mo  
Dec 7 1902

My Dear sant claus

I will now tell you what I want for christmas I am ten years old If you will please send me some candy and peanuts and nigertoes and oranges and some bananaaws, and a pear of overshoes no 4

well dear santclaus I guess that's a enough from your friend  
Gay Truitt.

R F D no 3

Clapper, Mo.,  
Dec. 4, 1902.

Dear Santa Claus:-

I am a little boy ten years old. I go to school. my teacher is Miss Mary Wimsatt. For Christmas I would like to have a toy Pistol. And a Pare of gloves. And I would like to have some candy and nuts and oreng.

I must close my with love to you

your friend  
August Adams

Monroe City  
Dec. 5 1902.

Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a horn and a sword a nice little wagon.

yours truly  
Jim Umstatted

Clapper, Mo.,  
Dec 4, 1902

Dear Santa clause

I am a little girl 9 years old I go to school my teacher name is Miss Mary Wimsatt for christmas I would like to have a doll and a chane and a Box of candy and some nuts I must close with love to you

you little frent  
Effie Simms

Monroe City mo  
Dec 4-1902

Dear santy claus

I am a little boy six years old and I hope you will not forget me this chrismas I want a watch and a stemboat and sum candy and some nuts and a little gun and sum caps

yours truly  
Emmet Fitzpatrick

Clapper, mo  
dec 3 1902

Dear Santa clause

I am a little boy 9 years old I go to school my teachers name is Miss Mary Wimsatt for christmas I would like to have a toy Pistol a toy watch a watch chain a box of candy and nuts a orange

I must close with love to you your little friend  
Wilhe Mudd

Monroe City, Mo. Dec. 8 1902  
Dear Old Santa Taus

it has been a year ago since I wrote you. I was way out in Pa. then. Will you pease bring me dollie with a red dess and red hat on this Tismus and A. B. C. blocks with animals on: I am learning my letters I know O. cause thats what I say when I pinch my finger. and S. thats stands for sugar that I like and M. cause that stands for Uncle Mac Now Santa I have a little Budder ne is sweet. bring him some donuts and a dog, dear Santa Taus I want lots things. thanks for the little Rocker you left at Danpa Tissans for me last Tismus. I'll be 3 years old Tismus. Good. by I send you a big old kiss

Neva Van Gilson

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